# SFY 2021 – 2024 TIP PROJECTS RECOMMENDED FOR NOACA FUNDING

NOACA Community Advisory Council September 27, 2019



### **ACTION REQUESTED**

No action is requested at this time. Item is for presentation and discussion only.

### PREVIOUS ACTION

- Resolution 2019-045, approving projects to be funded with NOACA STBG and TAP funds for the SFY 2021 – 2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
- Resolution 2019-046, approving projects to be funded with NOACA CMAQ funds for the SFY 2021 – 2024 TIP



#### NOACA is developing its SFY 2021 – 2024 TIP

#### The SFY 2021 - 2024 TIP will:

- Be in effect from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2024;
- Contain road, bridge, public transit and other transportation projects scheduled for implementation; and
- Include projects supported by federal funds through NOACA, ODOT and transit agencies



#### Projects represent NOACA allocated funding only

- Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) program \$31 M annually
- Transportation Alternatives (TA) \$3.1 M annually
- Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) \$16 M annually







#### **STBG**

Projects that preserve and improve the conditions of the multimodal transportation system

#### TA

Projects that advance alternatives to motorized travel

#### **CMAQ**

Projects that reduce congestion & improve air quality in areas that do not attain air quality standards



## Over 700 potential projects were identified through a comprehensive planning process

- More than \$1B needed for implementation
- Needs far exceed the \$148 M funding available
- Approved projects represent the priorities in the LRTP and align with asset management and performance measures initiatives







#### **Project Prioritization – STBG and TAP Programs**

- Filtered top 25% of all NOACA Transportation Asset Management plan and sponsor requested preservation projects by cost effectiveness
  - Approximately 170 projects were distributed by each county's percent share of the region's VMT (vehicle miles travelled)
- Incorporated all other NOACA plan list projects
  - Safety and Congestion and Transportation Alternatives projects
  - Regionally significant projects
    - Important to economy, regional travel and destinations



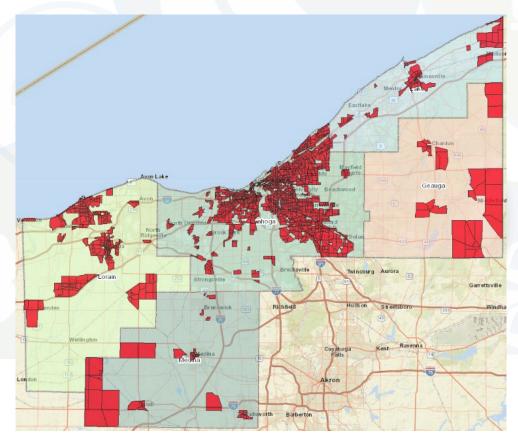
#### **Project Prioritization – STBG and TAP Programs**

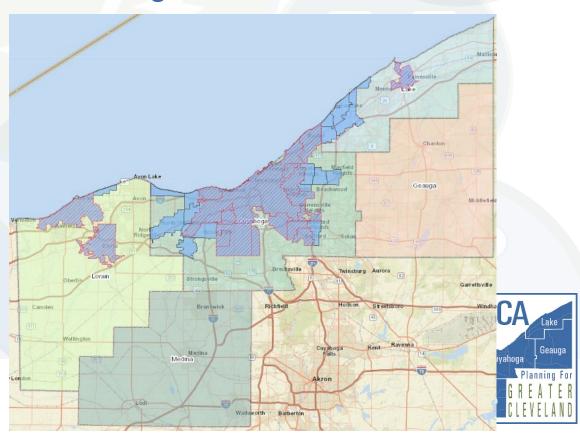
- Evaluated against regional significance and planning criteria
  - Regional Significance Criteria
    - Roadway/Transportation Significance
    - Job/ Education/ Government/ Medical Centers
    - Cultural/ Sports/ Entertainment Centers
    - Intermodal Connectivity
  - Planning Criteria
    - Safety/Congestion Priority Locations
    - Freight Plan Priority Routes
    - Public Transit Priority Corridors / TOD
    - Bicycle and Pedestrian Networks
    - TLCI/STRS Studies



#### **Project Prioritization – STBG and TAP Programs**

- Other Considerations
  - Geographic Equity
  - Environmental Justice, Urban Core / Disadvantaged Communities





#### Project Prioritization - CMAQ Program

- Evaluated against Statewide CMAQ Criteria
  - Project Type Countermeasures proven to reduce emissions
  - Cost Effectiveness = Emissions/CMAQ Cost
  - Secondary Benefits to:
    - Safety
    - Freight
    - Fixed Route Transit
    - Bicycle and Pedestrian
    - Environmental Justice Areas



#### Statewide CMAQ Criteria (cont.)

- Existing and Positive Impact on Quality and Level of Service
- Project Readiness / Past Delivery Performance
- Non-federal match of requested CMAQ funds
- Regional Priority:
  - MPO priority given up to four project submittals



- Regional Priority is the only criteria NOACA has the ability to control - assignment of points to four projects (10, 7, 4 and 2)
- As previously directed by the Board, these points were applied strategically to maximize CMAQ funding to the region
  - Not consider projects that already score well
  - Greatest regional impact
  - Promote multimodal transportation system and choice





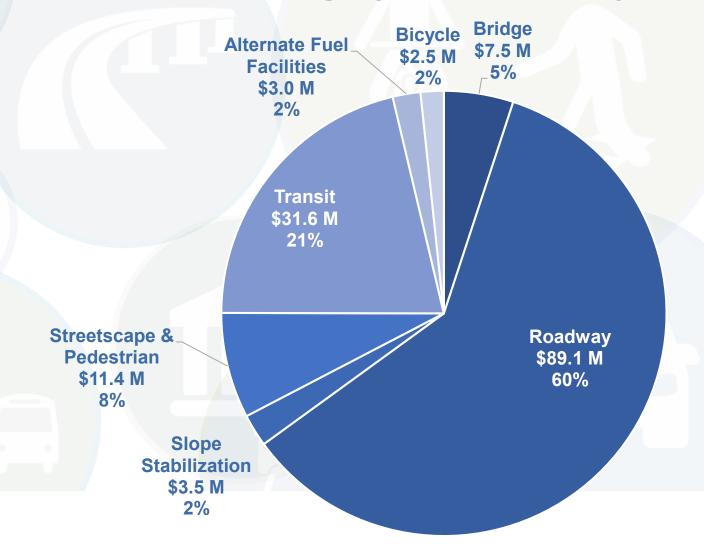
#### **Approved Projects**

- STBG and TAP Programs
  - 92 new projects approved
  - \$119 M in NOACA funding
- CMAQ Program
  - 7 new projects approved
  - \$29 M in NOACA funding
- Over 50 communities receiving investment





**NOACA** Funding by General Project Type



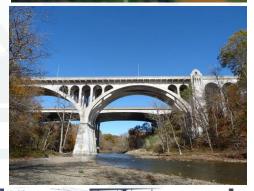
\$148.6 M TOTAL



#### Impact of approved projects:

- 102 miles of roadway improved and enhanced
- 100,000 sq/ft deck area improved for 3 bridges
- 6.5 miles of bike/ped improvements
- 4 rail car replacements
- 60 transit buses
- 20 transit station improvements
- 75 EV Fast Charge Stations
- Irishtown Bend











# What does this mean for the region's communities?

- Focused investment in high low-income and minority areas to improve travel options
- Increased livability through improved streetscape, bicycle and pedestrian facilities
- Preservation of roads and bridges to maintain access for people, goods and services
- \$4 billion in continued regional economic benefit from Irishtown Bend bank stabilization
- Rail car and bus replacements to improve transit reliability for transit dependent and choice riders
- EV charging stations for greater access of electric vehicles at nodes of public activity and business





#### **NEXT STEPS**

- Staff will work with sponsors of approved projects to finalize scopes, schedules and fiscal constraint for inclusion in the SFY 2021 – 2024 TIP
- The final draft TIP will be presented to:
  - Planning and Programming Committee for its recommendation to the Board on January 17, 2020; and
  - The Board of Directors on March 6, 2020 for approval





NOACA will **STRENGTHEN** regional cohesion, **PRESERVE** existing infrastructure, and **BUILD** a sustainable multimodal transportation system to **SUPPORT** economic development and **ENHANCE** quality of life in Northeast Ohio.

